Colorado for Family Values

Forget the media's trumped-up funerals for Amendment 2, for the issue of so-called "gay-rights," or for Colorado for Family Values. The truth is, some very real threats are working right now against your freedoms of belief, speech and association. You need to know.

Dear Concerned Coloradan,

For a few minutes at least, please set aside any preconceived notions you may have about the state of Amendment 2 and "gay-rights" in Colorado.

The fact is, if most people knew the truth about this issue, I probably wouldn't be writing you today. I wouldn't need to.

If the truth were being told, I wouldn't need to explain to anyone how Colorado for Family Values stands at the forefront of one of our nation's pivotal battles.

There'd be no question that we're fighting — today more than ever — for your rights. For all of our rights.

"Fighting for our rights?" you might ask. "But I read in all the papers you were trying to take away the rights of gays and lesbians!"

Wrong. That's one of the worst in a long series of falsehoods told about Colorado for Family Values and Amendment 2 over the last several years.

Amendment 2 only prevents special-rights — the hard-earned legal remedies given only to oppressed minorities — from being extended to people's sexual behavior. That's it.

The truth is, we're fighting for your right to disagree with militant homosexuality. Your right to hold and to practice beliefs considered "politically-incorrect" by the media elite. The right to hold traditional values in an age when those values are under attack from radical lobby groups.

That's why today, I'm writing to share with you some facts you may not have heard — and to ask for your help.

Maybe you're unsure whether there really is a threat. Maybe you've believed media reports that the lawsuit against Amendment 2 has made "gay-rights" a

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dead issue in our State. Then consider these recent events:

- Leaders of the Colorado PTA — shutting out a mountain of public opposition – recently sought to pass a pro-homosexual resolution essentially inviting militant groups like ACT-UP and Queer Nation into our schools to "educate" our children about the merits of homosexuality. Only a major outcry from parents and a well-organized effort at the state convention prevented the resolution's passage.

- An administrator in the Denver Public Schools recently vowed to implement New York's Rainbow Curriculum throughout Denver schools ". . . as soon as [Colorado for Family Values] pipes down."

If you recall the controversy when New York parents rebelled against its implementation, the Rainbow Curriculum involves "educating" children about the goodness of the homosexual lifestyle and giving them disgustingly detailed instructions in its sexual practices, as well as so-called "safe sex" — beginning in the first grade.

- The homosexual lobby is asking the government to brand anyone who disagrees with homosexuality — anyone labeled "homophobic" — as officially mentally ill!

That's right. An American Psychiatric Association committee chairman (and homosexual activist) has called "homophobia" in the *New York Times* ". . . a psychological abnormality that interferes with the judgement and reliability of those afflicted." President Clinton's Health and Human Services Secretary, the infamous Donna Shalala, has met with activists seeking to brand "homophobia" a mental illness, and pledged her full support.

- Militant homosexual activists are preaching "zero-tolerance" in Colorado for those who disagree with them. The Gay and Lesbian Community Center of Colorado vowed in a December 14 press release immediately following Bayless' decision:

"We urge varied and aggressive actions to eradicate the ignorance and bigotry which produced Amendment 2, and we issue a call for opponents of Amendment 2 to flood the state in our continuing battle against heterosexism, homophobia and discrimination..."
[Emphasis added]

If you disagree with these extremists, they want your views "eradicated!" We've been documenting statements like this for nearly three years now. Anyone who actively disapproves of homosexuality is to be branded a "homophobe" or a "heterosexist," then potentially prosecuted by law.

What's fair, democratic or American about that?

- Even as you read this, brand new activist groups like "Gay and Lesbian Americans" vow to push through more pro-homosexual city ordinances like the five here in Colorado — telling those who disapprove of homosexuality they have no right to run their businesses, property or families according to their most deeply held values.

Under the two most recent ordinances
— in Crested Butte and Telluride — you can be thrown in jail
for up to one year for following your conscience.

And they have the gall to accuse those who resist their attacks, of "hatred and bigotry," of infringing on their civil rights!

It's frightening. And that's why Colorado for Family Values feels so strongly about protecting our freedoms of belief, speech and association.

Will you stand with us to protect these precious liberties?

We need your financial and moral support. Will you take a few minutes to write out a check with your donation today?

Here's what Colorado for Family Values is doing
to oppose militant homosexual aggression right now:

- We're aggressively educating Colorado citizens about the push for special homosexual rights, what it means to our State and nation. We're doing that through seminars, brochures, newspapers and more.

- We're expanding our grass-roots network to oppose all efforts in Colorado to impose homosexual special rights. This effort includes trained area leaders, mobilization plans, and local-official awareness.

- We're building the most complete database of its kind to document the militant homosexual agenda — then provide this information to citizens and groups fighting this battle in Colorado and throughout the nation.

- We're sharing the truth about Amendment 2 with Coloradans who aren't getting it from the media.

- Most of all, we're holding Governor Romer's "feet to the fire" regarding his duty to see Amendment 2's defense all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court.

If you value this effective, coordinated effort against homosexual extremism, will you join with us and help protect what's best in our society?

Please take a minute to send your contribution of $20, $50, $100 — or whatever you can — joining tens of thousands of Coloradans opposing this unfair agenda. Financial support is our way of measuring whether this organization is vital and necessary. As in the past, Colorado for Family Values will turn your gift into effective, efficient action to withstand the forced affirmation of homosexuality.

Colorado for Family Values operates efficiently, on the tightest of operating budgets, with a small staff and the help of generous volunteers. (Our opponents outspent us two-to-one in their losing campaign.)

Remember that no matter how strongly we oppose their agenda, Colorado for Family Values has never advocated the least mistreatment of homosexuals themselves. We believe that existing criminal laws protecting the safety of all citizens should be rigorously enforced. Yet as Judge Bayless recently ruled, homosexuals do not qualify for protected class status. We will do all we can to make sure this ruling is confirmed at the highest court levels.

Remember also that under Amendment 2, homosexuals can promote any agenda they wish, except they have to do it as an affluent, special interest group — not a protected minority. Anyone opposing the militant homosexual agenda — in the schools, for example — could make their voice heard in the free marketplace of ideas. That's the American Way! Will you help us protect these freedoms by sending a contribution today?

Sincerely,

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P.S. Attacks in the courts are only part of Colorado's militant homosexual onslaught against your rights. Please enclose your most generous gift possible to ensure that their agenda does not engulf our state.